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Have a SAFE 4th of July



Happy 46th Birthday Army Community Service



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Fort Devens Welcome Center

61 Quebec Street, Building 683

Hours of Operation

0630-1600 Monday -Friday

<https://www.devens.army.mil>

ACS TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ACS DIRECTOR



Imelda Fisher

Army Community Service will celebrate its 46th Birthday on 25 July 2011. Soldiers and their families are one of our highest priorities, but we are also equipped to help any military member of any branch-of-service or component, military retirees, dependent family members of both of those groups.



On July 6, ACS at Fort Devens will welcome Erica Zeiger, who will assist the Family members of the Fallen through the Survivor Outreach Services program (SOS). Survivor Outreach Services (SOS) is an Army-wide program that provides dedicated and comprehensive support services to survivors of deceased Soldiers. Her mission will be as a Benefit Coordinator, Financial Counselor, and Support Coordinator in order to meet the immediate and long-term needs of our survivors for as long as they desire. The Army launched a comprehensive survivor services program, designed specifically to meet the needs of our survivor population, with dedicated resources and a commitment to providing first class service.

What's at Fort Devens ?

Education Office: The 99th RSC Education Office is now located at 30 Quebec Street, (Building 666) Fort Devens in Rooms 328,326 and 324. Call Lee Achenbach at 978-796-2968. Services will include educational and career counseling, GI Bill questions and issues, tuition assistance, financial aid and scholarship information as well as test administration and test proctoring.

Fort Devens Mail and Distribution: Mail & Distribution Hours are as follows. The Door will be open for box pick up between the following hours.0730 AM to 1600 PM. Window pick up 0900 AM to 1200 PM 1230 PM to 1430 PM

Taps Tavern: Hours of operation for Taps Tavern are 1600 – 2100, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Enjoy cold drinks, delicious snacks, sports events, X-Box gaming, music and much more. The TAPS Tavern is located in Bldg. 623, 42 Givry Street, Devens, MA.

FREE Movie Night at the Community Activities Center, Bldg. 623, shown in the main hall Saturdays. Be on the lookout for each Saturday's feature presentation.

Chaplain Stevenson: Worship Service Sunday, 10 July 2011-1100 "The Sower and the Seed". Office Hours: 13 July 2011 and 26 July 2011

ARMY EMERGENCY RELIEF

The 2011 Army Emergency Relief campaign this year raised **\$34,129.00**. The retirees in the area are extremely generous and giving. Thanks to all the individuals who supported this important cause that is always there when a financial emergency strikes. To date the Fort Devens AER office has distributed **\$57,100.00** in AER assistance from January to June. As you can see the need here at Fort Devens is tremendous. It is never too late to donate even though the campaign is over.

FINANCIAL

Guard Against Scams: Open with Caution: Posted Summer 2011, in [MONEY SAVING TIPS](#)

Adam opens his email. A popular Internet payment company requests that he send his credit card number so the company can update its records.

Betty opens a letter. She has won a trip to the Bahamas, and all she has to do is send a \$50 processing fee to receive her tickets.

Camilla opens her door. A man asks for a donation to a well-known charity. She says she has already donated, but the man tries to pressure her into donating \$20 more.

All the examples above are likely scams. Unfortunately, scams don't come with an "open with caution" warning, so it can be difficult to spot them. It's especially easy to fall victim to fraud when you're busy (such as checking many emails) or caught off guard (when you're approached by someone in person).

There are several things you can do to protect your finances from scam artists. Learn how to identify scammers' language and techniques, and do not give personal information or money unless you initiated the transaction and are certain it is trustworthy.

SCAM INDICATORS: According to the National Consumer League's Fraud Center, you may be dealing with a scam if someone:

- Asks for money to claim a prize or enter a sweepstakes, contest or lottery.
- Refuses to give you written information or details of an offer before you agree to buy or donate.
- Requests your credit card or checking account number when you are not making a purchase with that account.
- Tries to pressure or scare you into acting immediately.
- Insists that you wire money.
- Refuses to stop calling after you've asked to not be called again.
- Contacts you for personal information the company already has.
- Gives you a check or money order and asks you to send some of the money somewhere else, possibly overseas

SOLDIER & FAMILY

Strength At Home- Offers relationship strengthening programs to help veterans and their families adjust to the unique stress associated with military service. They also provide a program for veterans and service members of any conflict era to improve anger management skills and prevent arguments and conflict in intimate relationships. For more information contact Sarah at 857-364-4173. Website is www.StrengthAtHome.com.

Ricker's Kindercamp has offered FREE camp weeks to eligible military children who would like a week at camp this summer. The camp is located in Leominster, Ma. Slots are limited. The schedule of available weeks is available upon request. If you have any questions Ricker's Kindercamp direct at 978-537-3007

Scholarship: The Pine Manor College Board of Trustees is proud to announce funding approval for the "Women of Promise Scholarship." The scholarship (\$20,000/year) is designed for current/female high school seniors who have attained a cumulative grade point average of 3.00 and have not finalized their college selection decision for the fall, 2011 class. She must submit an on-line application (free) by or before Monday, July 11. The on-line application is located at the Pine Manor College website (www.pmc.edu). All supporting academic credentials should be faxed to the attention of Janna Spinazola, Director of Recruiting at (617)731-7102. Janna can also be reached via e-mail at spinazoj@pmc.edu or by calling (617)731-7068.

Kids Bowl FREE: Select bowling centers and schools around the country are participating in the first ever Kids Bowl Free program. This program is designed by bowling centers to give back to the community and provide a safe, secure, and fun way for kids to spend time this summer. Children whose age does not exceed a limit by a participating bowling center are eligible to register for 2 free games a day, all summer long, courtesy of the participating bowling centers along with the schools and organizations. You can also purchase a family pass for \$24.95 which will allow 4 adults to bowl for free. <http://www.kidsbowlfree.com/>

Coast to Coast Career Fairs: Boston Career Fair **Thursday, August 11, 2011** The Boston Park Plaza Hotel & Towers, 50 Park Plaza at Arlington Street, Boston, MA 02116, 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM FREE ADMISSION! Bring at least 20 copies of your resume, Dress professionally and be ready to interview. Come with a positive winning attitude – It will make a difference! Arrive at the Career Fair no later than 11 AM For more information, visit: www.CoasttoCoastCareerFairs.com

Free Fun Fridays invites Massachusetts residents and tourists to visit designated cultural attractions every Friday during the summer months at no cost. No registration or tickets required. Just show up and enjoy!

JULY 1: MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS, BUTTONWOOD PARK ZOO, EDWARD GOREY HOUSE HERITAGE MUSEUMS & GARDENS

JULY 8: PLIMOTH PLANTATION, WORCESTER ART MUSEUM, CAPE COD MUSEUM OF ART NE HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

JULY 15: MUSEUM OF SCIENCE, HIGGINS ARMORY MUSEUM, THE DISCOVERY MUSEUMS, GARDEN IN THE WOODS

JULY 22: FRANKLIN PARK ZOO, THE SPORTS MUSEUM, NORMAN ROCKWELL MUSEUM PEABODY ESSEX MUSEUM

JULY 29: BOSTON CHILDRENREN'S MUSEUM, AMERICAN TEXTILE HISTORY MUSEUM NEW BEDFORD WHALING MUSEUM, SHAKESPEARE ON THE COMMON

AUG 5: INSTITUTE OF CONTEMPORARY ART, CAPE COD CHILDREN'S MUSEUM SPRINGFIELD MUSEUM, CONCORD MUSEUM

AUG 12: JFK LIBRARY AND MUSEUM, ARNOLD ARBORETUM, TANGLEWOOD (BSO) STONE ZOO

AUG 19: BOSTON HARBOR ISLAND, CHILDREN'S MUSEUM IN EASTON, USS CONSTITUTION MUSEUM, BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME

AUG 26: OLD STURBRIDGE VILLAGE, NEW REPERTORY THEATRE, BERKSHIRE MUSEUM, ECOTARIUM www.highlandstreet.org for venue locations and more information

Delta Dental: If you are having questions on Delta Dental on maximizing your dental program please click on the following link. <http://trdp.org/bl/press.html> Check out the web site (trdp.org) or call the toll-free number (1-888-838-8737) so people know how to get their questions answered.

Great Information for Deployment: In case you have families page 4 has a list of children's books for kids to read about separation.

<http://www.il.ngb.army.mil/familyreadiness/educationoutreach/HelpingYoungChildrenWithDeployment.pdf>

Westin Copley Place & FOX25 To Give Away “A Wedding To Remember” To A Member Of The United States Military *All-Expense Paid Wedding to Take Place at The Westin Copley Place in Boston on November 11, 2011*

Boston, MA (June 13, 2011) – Westin Copley Place General Manager Michael Jorgensen announced today that The Westin Copley Place has teamed up with FOX25 to give one deserving member of The United States Armed Forces an all-expense paid wedding to take place on Veteran’s Day at The Westin Copley Place in Boston.

“We understand the sacrifices that our military makes every day to protect our country at home and abroad,” said Jorgensen. “As a token of our gratitude, The Westin Copley Place together with FOX25 and our generous partners would like to honor those sacrifices by giving one deserving couple A Wedding To Remember!”

All active members of the United States Military with a Massachusetts or New Hampshire residency – Marines, Navy, Army, Air Force, Coast Guard, and National Guard – are qualified. In order to be

awarded the wedding, individuals must submit a 500 word essay explaining why he or she deserves “A Wedding To Remember”. The essay can be submitted online at www.MilitaryWeddingToRemember.com.

Virtual Vietnam Wall: Click on the link and find the city you went to high school and look at the names. Click on the name and it will give details of the death. First click on a state. When it opens, scroll down to the city and the names will appear. Then click on their names. It should show you picture of the person, or at least their bio and medals. This really is an amazing web site. Someone spent a lot of time and effort to create it.

I hope that everyone who receives this appreciates what those who served in Vietnam sacrificed for our country. The link below is a virtual wall of all those lost during the Vietnam War with the names, bios and other information on our lost heroes. Those who remember that time frame, or perhaps lost friends or family can look them up on this site. Pass the link on to others, as many knew wonderful people whose names are listed. <http://www.virtualwall.org/iStates.htm>

The Ride for Our Heroes is a true motorcycle enthusiast event honoring our Nation’s service members, veterans and their families while raising needed funds for the Red Sox Foundation and Massachusetts General Hospital Home Base Program. Funds raised for the Home Base Program will provide clinical care to the many veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan affected by combat stress and/or traumatic brain injuries as well as counseling support to their families.

Join us on Saturday, September 24, 2011 in the Ride for Our Heroes. The Ride features starting points from locations throughout New England and will kick off with an opening ceremony and acknowledgement of local military heroes. The Ride concludes with a Rider Appreciation Party at Manchester Harley-Davidson in Manchester, New Hampshire. It is sure to be a great after-party for bikers and families. www.homebaseprogram.org/rideforourheroes

Veteran Resources: <http://www.veteranprograms.com/index.html> U.S. Veteran Compensation Programs is the first unique website dedicated to helping U.S. veterans discover the benefits they have earned. Complete details about service-connected compensation issues and important updates about veteran benefits as they occur. Also, services that help veterans gain quick and easy access to vital VA departments and information. We provide free and user-friendly resources for veterans and their family members.

THE EMPLOYER PARTNERSHIP OF THE ARMED FORCES: Through the Employee Partnership Office (EPO), you can more effectively leverage your Military training and experience for career opportunities in today’s civilian job market, having access to job openings with Military friendly employers in various industries across the country. The EPO job search engine is easy to use and gives Servicemenbers another tool to help them achieve their civilian career goals.

You local contact is: **KEN FORCHIELLI**, Contractor (Military Personnel Services Corporation)
Employer Partnership of the Armed Forces, 508-755-0173 Ext 2231, 910-728-3031 (BB)
Visit the Employer Partnership website at: www.employerpartnership.org or email at gethired@employerpartnership.org or call 1-877-450-HIRE (4473)

THINGS TO DO IN JULY

Lowell Spinners Military Night: Just wanted to remind everyone that tomorrow (1 July) is Military Night here at LeLacheur Park in Lowell. Game time is 7:05. Anyone with proper Military ID is able to attend the game free of charge. Please pass the word along!! Jeff , Groundskeeper/Corporate Sales Lowell Spinners Class (A) Affiliate of the Boston Red Sox, Office (978) 805-5124 Cell (508) 498-1994 jpaolino@lowellspinners.com

USO Fourth of July: The USO Liberty Bells are an exciting new addition to our program. If you haven't seen the Bells, you won't want to miss their performance as they take you on a sentimental and patriotic journey! In addition to the great musical entertainment at the USO event, you can get onboard the USCG Cutter Spencer, which will also be open for tours.

So don't miss all of the fun on July 4th – register today! Please take a moment to read the FAQ's before registering, so you will understand who the event is open to as well as details about times, activities and parking! <http://www.uso-newengland.org/>

UPCOMING EVENTS AT TICKETS AND TOURS

Judie King, ITT Manager, Hanscom AFB, 98 Barksdale Street Bldg 1530, 781-377-3262
<http://www.hanscomservices.com/> PREPAID ORDERS ONLY!! Payment is due at the time the order is placed. Once the order has been placed there are no refunds.

Take a trip with us! – Registration deadline for all trips is 30 days prior to departure or space available.

Six Flags New England – Tickets are \$30 each for anyone over age 2; gate price is \$34.99. Located in Agawam. Massachusetts.

Water Country – Tickets are \$28 for anyone 48 inches tall and seniors (65+) are \$24.99. Entry for children 2 and under is free. Located in Portsmouth, NH.

Canobie Lake Park – Tickets are \$26 per person. Purchase tickets for children less than 48. at the gate for \$24 and seniors (65+) are \$23. Located in Salem, NH.

York's Wild Kingdom – Tickets are \$14 per person, ages 4 and up. At the gate: 3 and under are \$4.75. Located in York, ME.

Story Land – Tickets are \$26 for ages 2 and up. Locate in Glen, NH.

Davis Farmland – Farmland ticket only is \$15 for ages 2 and up; gate price is \$19.95. Located in Sterling Massachusetts.

Old Town Trolley Tickets (Boston Trolley Tour) – Tickets are \$29 each for ages 12 and up; regular price is \$36 each. Child ticket is \$13 for ages 5-12.

Cinema Tickets – AMC movie tickets are \$6.75 for any show starting after 1800 that has been out for at least one full week.

Martha's Vineyard – Tickets are available for Saturday, 16 July, \$75 per person. Tour includes Martha's Vineyard Island tour, shopping time in Edgartown, Island Queen Ferry and Dinner at Country Buffet.

Red Sox vs. Orioles at Camden Park (includes Washington, D.C. tour) – Will be held on Monday – Wednesday, 18 - 20 July; \$289 per person, double occupancy. Includes: luxury accommodations, two full-course breakfast buffets, reserved seating for the game, Washington, D.C. sightseeing and round-trip transportation

Red Sox vs. KC Royals game at Fenway Park – Will be held on Monday, 25 July, \$95 per person; includes reserved left field grandstand seats (Sections 28/29) and round-trip transportation.

Walt Disney World Armed Forces Salute: now through Wednesday, 28 September - During the offer period, now through Wednesday, 28 September, 4-Day Disney's Armed Forces Salute tickets with or without options may be purchased by eligible service members (or their spouse, but not both), for themselves, their family and friends. 4-Day Disney's Armed Forces Salute tickets are limited to six per eligible service member. Those eligible for the program include: active or retired members of the U.S. military, including activated members of the National Guard and Reservists, as well as active and retired members of the United States Coast Guard. 3 ticket options available: 4-day Salute Park Hopper: \$138, 4 day Base Ticket with Water Park Option: \$138, 4-day Park Hopper with Water Park Option: \$165. The 3 options above are the only tickets offered through the Armed Forces Salute program. Tickets are not stocked at Hanscom's Tickets & Tours office. Orders may only be processed at Tickets & Tours Monday through Thursday from 0900 - 1530. You must order these tickets in person; your military ID must be verified before your order is processed. Other rules and restrictions apply; visit Tickets & Tours, Bldg. 1530 for Disney's Special

HANSCOM AIRMAN AND FAMILY READINESS CENTER

July 2011

Please Call 781-377-4222 to Register

Serving the total force...Programs are free to all single and married Active Duty, Reserve, and Guard personnel, DoD civilians, retired Military personnel and Family members

MILITARY FAMILY LIFE CONSULTANTS (MFLCs) provide free, short-term, non-medical, solution-oriented counseling on a range of issues. For service members, DoD civilians, and their families – no records are kept. Call (781) 686-3084 and leave your first name only for an appointment!

PRESEPARATION COUNSELING will be held July 6, 13, 20, and 27 from 9 to 10 a.m. Weekly sessions for separating and retiring service members to complete the mandatory DD Form 2648, Preseparation Counseling Checklist. The checklist provides critical information about benefits, resources and services available as you transition from military to civilian life. **By law, this counseling must be provided at least 90 days prior to your date of separation or retirement.**

PREPARING FOR HOMECOMING: REUNION BRIEFING FOR SPOUSES AND CHILDREN will be held July 6 from 3 to 4 p.m. (**simultaneous sessions for spouses and children ages 6 and older**) If you are anticipating a reunion with your service member within the next two months, please join us for two special briefings that will help you and your children prepare for the big event. In these interactive workshops, you'll receive practical suggestions for coping with reunion and reintegration, and the children's session will feature fun reunion activities and a personalized gift for the returning parent.

COMMUNICATION AND ASSERTIVENESS will be held July 7 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Why is communication important to talk about? How much of our communication is actually nonverbal? Learn how to avoid roadblocks, become an active listener, send clear and consistent messages both verbally and nonverbally, and assertively express your ideas and feelings in an open, honest and direct way. Presented by Hanscom's Military and Family Life Consultant.

SUCCESSFUL SALARY STRATEGIES & INTERVIEW TACTICS will be held July 7 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Learn many practical pointers on salary negotiation and the do's and don'ts of interviewing. Everyone will develop a powerful 60 second commercial to sell their skills and abilities. Bring your lunch.

PRIVATE SECTOR RESUME WRITING CLASS will be held July 8 from 9 to 11 a.m. This is a basic resume writing course. It covers how to write and format an effective private sector resume and cover letter. Federal resume basics are also discussed.

VETERAN AFFAIRS DISABILITY CLAIMS REVIEW will be held July 8, 15, 22, and 29 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A representative from AMVETS, a veterans' service organization, will assist you in processing your disability claim and answer questions. **Appointment is required. Call the AMVETS Service Representative at 617-303-5698.**

E-SMOOTH MOVE SEMINAR will be held July 13 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Learn how to expertly navigate the new internet based resources designed for PCS moves, and where to get answers to your questions about your upcoming move. Informational handouts will be provided. **Spouses encouraged to attend!**

TRANSITIONING FROM A MILITARY TO A CIVILIAN CAREER will be held Monday thru Friday, July 18 – 22. This workshop is designed to assist voluntarily and involuntarily separating or retiring service members make a successful career transition. Plan to attend at least 6 months prior to separation or retirement. Dress is civilian attire (business casual). Spouses are welcome. **Seminar starts Monday at 12 p.m.** Tuesday thru Thursday hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. **Register early. No repeats or walk-ins.**

GOAL SETTING FOR LIFE will be held July 18 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Why is goal setting important? How do you decide what is a priority in your life? How do you formulate a realistic goal and stay motivated to reach your goal? Join us for this great new workshop and find your answers. Presented by Hanscom's Military and Family Life Consultant.

HEARTS APART will be held July 21 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. **at Hanscom's Castle Park.** Families of deployed, remote tour and extended TDY service members are invited to join us at Castle Park for hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, and soda. Join us for fun games and good food. Please RSVP to 781-377-4222 or email at 66.fss.fsfr.cmb@hanscom.af.mil.

BUNDLES FOR BABIES will be held July 25 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you are in your second or third trimester, please join us and learn about caring for your newborn, budgeting for baby, to work or not to work, TRICARE coverage, dental care, base and community resources, SIDS, shaken baby, newborn appearance, breastfeeding, car seat safety, Baby-Makes-Three, and much more. This seminar is sponsored by the Air Force Aid Society and is open to all branches of service and DoD civilians. Baby bundles are available for AF, Navy, Marines, and Army families. For DoD civilians, the A&FRC will make up a gift just for you.

MEDICAL GROUP WELCOME (Mandatory for Active Duty) will be held July 25 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the **Hanscom Conference Center, building 1106.** Information about the Hanscom

Clinic and briefings on TRICARE, the Health and Wellness Center, Mental Health, Public Health, Dental Health, and others.

FAMILY WELCOME will be held July 26 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Attention newly arrived spouses! Are you interested in learning all about Hanscom AFB? Do you have small children and are unable to attend the regular Commander's Welcome? Then this program is designed just for you. Receive money saving tips and shopping information while learning about schools, recreation, local attractions, safety, security, education, employment and more. This is a fun, family-friendly event.

NEWCOMERS' PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND CITY ORIENTATION will be held July 27 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Newcomers and family members are invited to learn how to navigate the local public transportation system and obtain information on events and attractions. Ride into Boston with us using the "T." All you need is \$4 for subway fares. Bring your lunch or purchase downtown. This program is part of the community orientation for inprocessing. Newly arrived service members are not required to take leave to attend.

OVERCOMING PROCRASTINATION will be held July 27 from 12 to 1 p.m. We all procrastinate at times, but we can minimize how often and its impact. In this 60-minute workshop, you will discover the 3-step process to overcoming procrastination and achieving what you need to get done. Understanding why you procrastinate and learning how to use the "Procrastination Busting Method" worksheet will help you stop delaying your projects. During this seminar, you'll work on a current problem and leave the session with solutions, a fresh outlook, and renewed motivation. Presented by Lorena Prime of Clearly Organized.

MBTI: CHOOSING & CHANGING CAREERS will be held July 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Choosing a job or changing careers is a major life transition. The more you understand about yourself, the better your decisions will be. The Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) will point to your personality preferences and help you choose a new career or find greater satisfaction in your present one. Please preregister and receive instructions on completing the MBTI prior to this session. Bring your lunch.

FEDERAL RESUME CRITIQUE (By Appointment Only). Resumes are reviewed by employment specialists — a great opportunity for feedback to improve your resume format and content. Email your federal resume and the applicable Vacancy Announcement to 66.fss.fsfr.cmb@hanscom.af.mil. You will be contacted for an appointment after we have reviewed your resume. **Prior completion of the A&FRC Federal Resume Writing for USAJOBS class or TAP Federal Employment Opportunities class is strongly recommended.**

PRIVATE SECTOR RESUME CRITIQUE sessions are held by appointment only. Resumes are reviewed by an A&FRC employment specialist with HR experience — a great opportunity for feedback to improve your resume format and content. Email your resume to 66.fss.fsfr.cmb@hanscom.af.mil. You will receive a response in 3-5 business days. **Prior attendance at an A&FRC or TAP resume writing class is recommended.**

Family Advocacy Outreach

CELL PHONE COLLECTION: The Family Advocacy Program collects used and old cell phones, and distributes them to local domestic violence agencies. Drop off phones, batteries, and chargers to the Family Advocacy Program, Bldg 1217. Please put each phone and its accessories in a sealed, plastic bag.

WIC, a nutrition and education program for income-eligible expectant parents or parents with children age birth to five is located on base. * **WIC is located in Bldg 1507** *. **WIC is on base the first and third Wednesday** of each month from 0800 to 1530. For WIC appointments or information, call (617) 312-9974.

First Connections- Is a non-profit, family support organization that provides comprehensive services to families with young children birth through age five. First Connections serves a large geographic area that encompasses twelve metro-west communities, including Hanscom Air Force Base. All programs are free or low cost. More information is available on their website www.firstconnections.org or by calling 781-287-0221.

EMPLOYMENT READINESS

Devens Transition Workshop, 12-15 Jul 2011: It will be held on Devens in Building 676 on Queenstown Street. John A. Bohichik Transition Services Manager Army Career & Alumni Program Building 787, Nicodemus Avenue Fort Monmouth, NJ 07703-5000
Off: (732) 532-1906, DSN 992-1906 email: John.Bohichik@us.army.mil

White House Internship for Veterans: This program is open to veterans of the Armed Forces who possess a high school diploma or equivalent and has served on active duty at anytime over the past 2 years. Although unpaid, it is the experience of a lifetime! The White House today announced that the application period for the prestigious White House Internship Program for Spring 2012 is now open. Applicants have until SEP 11th, 2011 to apply for a Spring 2012 White House Internship. The spring term runs from January 17, 2012 - May 4, 2012. Internships are full-time and unpaid however the experience is second-to-none. Participants will work as part of the Administration's White House staff and gain a wide range of experience in public policy and experience, first-hand, the functions of our Government. Please read instructions fully before applying, refer to the frequently asked questions page for additional explanations and contact the program directly with questions.
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/internships/apply>

USA JOB: JOB OPPORTUNITIES ON THE BASE - Remember to go to www.USAJOBS.GOV and search for Newport, RI if you are interested in finding out and applying for positions open onboard the Naval Station. Current opportunities include a Motor Vehicle Operator that's open through next week. Spread the word! USAJOBS - The Federal Government's Official Jobs Site www.USAJOBS.GOV
This is a United States Office of Personnel Management website. USAJOBS is the Federal Government's official one-stop source for Federal jobs and employment information.

Job Search: Below please find a link to critical skills needed at Booz Allen Hamilton. Please share with your contacts and have all interested email me their resumes and I will submit on their behalf – this speeds up the review process. Also, applicants must identify the job skills qualification from the list. <https://erp.bah.com/hotjobs.htm>

Military Spouse Employment Tip of the Week: When applying for a job, state in your cover letter or application that you are a military spouse of an active duty service member who may be eligible for the Military Spouse Internship Program. Spouses can apply for a federal job by visiting the USAJOBS website.

Job Opportunity: Pilgrim Food needs to recruit a couple employees. If you are interested please call Denice M. Blanchard, Human Resource / Accounts Payable, Pilgrim Foods, 68 Old Wilton Road Greenville, NH, 8603-878-2100 ext 205

<http://www.transitionjobs.us/> Click on "Search for Opportunities" at the bottom of the page. Jobs listed by state.

www.TransitionTalk.com has launched to create an online community with shared information and resources to help veterans who are in transition. This website contains specialized articles, recommended books and links for military transition. Also, there is a web log for Q & A that aims to provide the answers to military transition questions from Category Guides who are military and industry professionals that are eager to help veterans make a successful transition.

Website: Career Resources for Veterans: The Defense Centers of Excellence (DCoE) recently collaborated with PBS to produce a handbook for military families. Created as a companion to the PBS series "This Emotional Life," A Handbook for Family & Friends of Service Members explores the stressors and feelings individuals may encounter throughout the different phases of deployment. The handbook aims to provide solutions for Service members and identifies outside tools and resources that may be useful to friends and family members before, during and after deployment. Topics include what to expect during deployment and how to strengthen or repair relationships. Order the handbooks from the Real Warriors Campaign website at <http://www.sc.edu/career/Webresources/veterans.html>

<http://www.realwarriors.net/materials/order>

Welcome to the Military Spouse Resource Center:

FYI. A useful link for those spouses that want to upgrade knowledge, skills and abilities and those who may want to enter the workforce as a result of spouse deployment.

<http://www.milspouse.org/>

The Military Spouse Resource Center (MilSpouse.org) is a U.S. Department of Labor sponsored web site designed to assist the spouses of U.S. total force military personnel. Our mission is to provide easy access to information, resources, and opportunities related to education, training, and employment within the United States. MilSpouse.org will be extending services to military spouses directly through this site and through partnerships with other organizations and the U.S. Department of Labor's local One-Stop Career Centers. Job Search Sites, Career Planning
<http://www.worcesterworks.com>

Hanscom AFS: Resources <http://www.hanscom.af.mil>

Massachusetts Career Information System: <http://masscis.intocareers.org/default.asp>

Veterans Employment Services (978) 534-1481 x 117 www.wmoore@detma.org
Orion International: info@orioninternational.com

RELOCATION READINESS

ACS has listings for apartments or houses to rent. List is updated as housing is made available to us. Call 978-796-3023. ACS Electronic Welcome Packets <https://www.devens.army.mil> or call 978-796-3023

Moving and Relocation Information: Terrific tips to make moving easier.
<http://afmove.hq.af.mil/Default.asp>

TRICARE Information at Hanscom AFB:

Hanscom AFB offers a monthly Newcomer Orientation Medical Clinic welcome to all new patients every Tuesday from 1300 to 1500. It is strongly recommended that Army personnel attend so they can find out about their provider, how to access emergency services, and referral. Telephone: 781-377-2120

FORT DEVENS SERVICES:

Police Services Division: Vehicle Registration and Fingerprinting
0930-1030 / 1500-1600 or By Appointment.

Police: 978-796-3333

Physical Security: 978-796-2061

Devens Legal: 978-796-2255

Education Office: 978-796-2868

Carlson Wagonlit Travel/Veterans Travel: 800-945-0535 or 402-345-7596

AAFES / Clothing & Sales: 978-772-6838 / 2065

Photo Section DA Photo: 978-796-2559

Fort Devens ID Cards 978 - 796-2130, Building 683

Billeting: Bldg. 978-796-3201

Distance Learning Center: 978-796-3612 / 2605 / 2626

Transportation: Passenger 978-796-2141/ or 2393 Freight 978-796-2832/ or 2840
Vehicles: 978-796-2141

UNITED SERVICES ORGANIZATION:

<http://www.uso-newengland.org/index.htm>

HELPFUL MASSACHUSETTS RESOURCES:

Massachusetts Parks: www.state.ma.us/dem/forparks.htm

Massachusetts Wildlife: www.state.ma.us/dfwele/dfw

State of Massachusetts Child Care Finder: www.qualitychildcare.org

Massachusetts Getaway Guide: <http://www.mass-vacation.com/>

Massachusetts's area Guides net: <http://massachusetts.ags.myareaguide.com/>

Boston and Local Area Concerts: <http://www.bostonconcerts.com/>

Boston Pops: <http://www.bso.org/>